

REMARKS

Claims 38 and 55, rejected in the last Office Action, are cancelled without prejudice. The Applicants intend to present the subject matter of those claims in a new continuation application.

Following entry of the present amendment, Claims 40-42, 52-54, 56-58, 60-76, and 81-91 remain. Those claims were indicated as allowed, in the last Office Action.

The specification is amended to place the "CROSS REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATION" in the form required by the PTO. It should be noted that the information contained in this revised Cross Reference is unchanged from the most recent prior amendment in that respect.

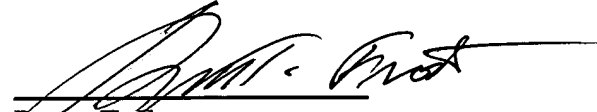
The undersigned acknowledges a telephone conference on June 28, 2005 with Examiner To in this application. In that conference, the undersigned presented arguments regarding allowability of Claim 38 and proposed certain amendments to Claim 55. No agreement was reached during the interview as to the allowability of Claims 38 and 55, and so those claims are here withdrawn to advance the prosecution of the present application. As mentioned hereinabove, the Applicants intend to file a continuation application directed to the subject matter of Claims 38 and 55.

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The foregoing is submitted as a complete response to the Office Action identified above. This application should now be in condition for allowance, and the Applicants solicit a notice to that effect.

Respectfully submitted,

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